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LIST REGIONAL COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR AND PHONE

SUBJECT: **XXXXXX** County Deer Advisory Council to discuss 3-year deer population objectives

LOCATION – Deer population objectives that will be used to help formulate hunting opportunities over the next three years will be the topic of discussion at **LOCATION** on **DAY** starting at **TIME**. While this is a working meeting of the **XXXX** County Deer Advisory Council, the public is encouraged to attend and will have an opportunity to discuss issues and provide comment.

County Deer Advisory Councils are a newly formed body as part of an effort to provide more public input on deer management issues and give stakeholders a greater responsibility in managing local deer numbers. Councils will also meet in October and December as they develop a recommendation to the DNR as to how many deer they would like in their respective county.

Council meetings will develop recommendations to the DNR regarding deer population objectives in their respective county, antlerless quotas, and season structure options. Through their participation, CDAC members and meeting participants will be given a direct stake in managing Wisconsin's deer herd.

Three meetings will be held this fall, as will happen every three years, to develop deer herd population objective recommendations to the department. Councils will meet each spring to develop antlerless deer harvest quotas for deer hunting seasons and consider various strategies to meet population objectives.

Local department staff will be on hand to present information and answer any questions and discuss possible strategies for managing the local deer herd.

Anyone interested in making a statement at the meeting must pre-register by contacting **NAME**, **XXXXXX** County CDAC chair at **PHONE NUMBER**. In order to accommodate all who wish to speak, statements will be limited to three minutes.

Those unable to attend a local meeting will be able to view meeting agendas and minutes on the department's website.

Deer hunters and those interested in helping manage their local deer herd are encouraged to check out the [frequently asked questions](#) document featured on the department's [CDAC page](#) for any questions regarding councils. To view a more general [FAQ page](#), visit dnr.wi.gov and search keyword "[deer](#)."